

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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INDO-US SECRETARY LEVEL TALKS  
Scindia Shri Jyotiraditya Madhavrao

**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether during the recent Indo-US Secretary-level talks, issues relating to defence, security and counter-terrorism operation including global non proliferation challenges were discussed;
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken in pursuance thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a)–(c) Yes. During the visit of Foreign Secretary and National Security Advisor to Washington on 16-20 July 2007, issues of common concern related to defence and security, counter-terrorism cooperation and global non-proliferation challenges, among others, were discussed.

Both countries continue to have regular consultations on these issues.